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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the perennial horticulture crops are not covered under National Agriculture Insurance Scheme;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Joint Group has recommended for extending insurance coverage to perennial horticulture and vegetable crops also; and

(d) if so, the reasons for not implementing the same?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a) & (b): No, Sir. Perennial horticultural crops are not yet covered under the existing National Agricultural Insurance Scheme (NAIS) due to non-availability of adequate past yield data and multi-picking nature of these crops.

(c): Yes, Sir.

(d): In view of peculiar nature of perennial/plantation horticultural crops Agriculture Insurance Company of India (AIC) which is the Implementing Agency of Crop Insurance Scheme, is in the process of formulating separate crop-specific schemes for these crops.